

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT**

Public Servants - Panchayat Raj and Rural Development Department - Allegation of possession of disproportionate assets to the known sources of income against Sri Duppala Ravi Kumar, Assistant Executive Engineer, O/o. the Executive Engineer, V&QC Division, PR, Visakhapatnam - Arrested on 19.12.2015 by the ACB authorities - Final Report of the D.G., A.C.B received - Further action dropped in the disproportionate assets case (i.e, criminal case) - Orders - Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 439

Dated: 29-07-2020

Read the following:

- 1.From the DG, ACB, AP, Hyd., Rc.No.180/RCACIU/2015, Dt.01.01.2016.
2. Progs. of the Engineer-in-Chief(PR), No.Ser-I(1)/Vig/3419/2015, dt. 30-12-2015.
- 3.Govt., Memo.No.18935/Vig-I/2015, PR&RD(Vig-I) Dept., dt.2.2.2018.
- 4.From the DG, ACB, AP, Hyd., Rc.No.180/RCACIU/2015, Dt.27.06.2018.
- 5.Govt., Memo.No.18935/Vig-I/2015, PR&RD(Vig-I) Dept., dt.30.7.2018.
- 6.Representation of AO, Sri D.Ravi Kumar, Dt.25.07.2018 & 27.09.2018.
7. Govt. Memo No.18935/Vig. I/2015, PR&RD (Vig.I) Department, Dt:28.11.2015.
- 8.Representation of AO, Sri D.Ravi Kumar, A.E.E, O/o. the DEE, PIU Sub-Division, Sabbavaram, dt:24.5.2019.

ORDER:-

It was brought to the notice of the Government that a case in Crime No. 05/ACB-CIU-HYD/2015 under Section 13 (2) read with 13 (1) (e) of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 was registered by the Anti-Corruption Bureau on 18.12.2015 against Sri D. Ravi Kumar, Assistant Executive Engineer, O/o Executive Engineer, Vigilance & Quality Control Division, Panchayat Raj, Visakhapatnam on the allegation of possession of assets disproportionate to the known sources of income and taken up further investigation. He was placed under suspension by the ENC(PR) w.e.f. 19-12-2015 i.e., from the date of his detention vide reference 2nd read above, and subsequently he was reinstated into service without prejudice to the disciplinary/criminal cases pending against him vide reference 3rd read above.

2. In the reference 4th read above, the Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, AP, Vijayawada, after completion of investigation, has furnished final report and stated that the total income of the A.O Sri D.Ravi Kumar, A.E.E (PR) during the check period is Rs.2,69,00,636/-. The

total expenditure of A.O during the check period is R.1,37,59,671/- and the Likely savings (ie., income - expenditure) is Rs.1,31,40,965/-. Thus, the A.O is found in possessions of assets disproportionate to his known sources of income to the tune of Rs. 53,05,968/- (ie., total assets of Rs.1,84,46,933 - total savings of Rs.1,31,40,965) and the percentage of disproportionate assets of A.O is 19.72% (D.A.x100/Income). He is further stated that as per the Govt. Memo No. 623/Spl.C/2008-2, General Administration (Spl.C) Department, Dated: 15.10.2008, the margin of ten (10%) of the total income of the Accused Government Servant was enhanced to the twenty (20%) percent, while computing the disproportionate assets. Hence, no prosecution is recommended against the Accused Officer.

3. However, the D.G, ACB has further reported that the Accused Officer has not taken prior permission from the competent authority while acquiring & disposing of immovable properties; not filed APRs during entire service except for the years 2012, 2013 & 2014; and failed to inform the competent authority about receipt of foreign funds. He has therefore recommended to initiation of departmental action against the A.O for the above, for violation of A.P.C.S (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

4. The Govt., after careful consideration of the matter have decided to initiate departmental action against the A.O for the above, for violation of A.P.C.S (Conduct) Rules, 1964, and accordingly the DG, ACB has been requested to furnish the draft Articles of Charges against the A.O. and the same are awaited from the DG, ACB.

5. In the reference 8th read above, the A.O Sri D. Ravi Kumar, A.E.E has submitted representation duly stating that, all his assets and bank accounts were seized by the ACB authorities since 17.11.2015 and FIR (ie., Criminal Case) is pending. He came to know that, the ACB also not recommended any prosecution against him in the disproportionate assets case and recommended only departmental action against him for violation of A.P.C.S (Conduct) Rules, 1964. As such, there may be no need of seizure of all his assets and bank accounts in the disproportionate assets case. He was sustained mental agony all these years and requested to drop further action against him on the “disproportionate assets case’ on humanitarian grounds.

6. Government after careful examination of the matter, have decided to drop further action against Sri D. Ravi Kumar, Assistant Executive Engineer (PR) in the disproportionate assets case (i.e., criminal case) since the DG, ACB has not recommended any prosecution against the A.O., and to continue the departmental action against the A.O for violation of Conduct Rules.

7. Accordingly, Government, hereby drop further action against Sri D. Ravi Kumar, former Assistant Executive Engineer, V&QC Division, PR Department, Visakhapatnam and presently Assistant Executive Engineer (PR), PIU Sub-Division, Sabbavaram, Visakhapatnam District in the disproportionate assets case (ie., the Criminal Case) filed against him vide Crime No. 05/ACB-CIU-HYD/2015, without prejudice to the Departmental proceedings against him.

8. The Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, A.P, Vijayawada and the Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, A.P, Vijayawada are requested to take necessary action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

GOPAL KRISHNA DWIVEDI
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

The Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, A.P,
Vijayawada.

The Engineer in Chief, Panchayat Raj, AP, Vijayawada.

The individual through Engineer in Chief, Panchayat Raj,
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The Secretary to A.P. Vigilance Commission, Velagapudi.
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